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LAURA KINNEY WAS CREATED TO BE A WEAPON, BUT SHE ESCAPED THAT LIFE WITH THE HELP OF THE MAN SHE WAS CLONED FROM, THE MAN WHO BECAME HER MENTOR: LOGAN, KNOWN AS THE WOLVERINE. THE ORIGINAL WOLVERINE HAS FALLEN, BUT LAURA WILL LIVE AS HIS LEGACY AND FIGHT FOR HER BETTER FUTURE.

SHE IS THE ALL-NEW WOLVERINE.

A SHIP CARRYING AN ALIEN CHILD CRASH-LANDED IN NYC, SPREADING A VIRUS. BEFORE SHE DIED FROM THE DISEASE, THE CHILD SPOKE TWO WORDS: LAURA KINNEY. A CURE FOR THE VIRUS WAS FOUND IN WOLVERINE'S HEALING FACTOR, AND AFTER SAVING THOSE INFECTED BY THE CHILD, WOLVERINE, HER PRETEEN CLONE NAMED GABBY AND THE GUARDIANS OF THE GALAXY TRAVELED TO THE CHILD'S HOME PLANET...

...WHERE THEY FOUND A HEAVILY FORTIFIED CITY AND THE BROOD. THEY WERE QUICKLY OVERWHELMED AND GABBY WAS TAKEN BY THE BROOD IN THE FIGHT.

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THE MOON OF RHITTLE.
LIGHTYEARS FROM EARTH.
GABBY!
LET ME GO, DRAX!
STOP STRUGGLING, WOLVERINE. THERE IS NO WAY THROUGH THEM ALL.
GABBY IS GONE.
GHOOOM

KBOOM!
KBOOM!
STOP FIRING!
WE'RE COMING IN!
WE CAN'T ALLOW THAT.
LET ME...
...GO!
RARGHHH!!!
SHLIK
THIS...

...IS FOR YOUR OWN GOOD!
NO! KEEP HER OUT.
KEEP HER--

SPANG
STOP HER!
SHE WILL INFECT US ALL!

NO, SHE WON'T. NONE OF US WILL. WE'VE ALL BEEN INOCULATED.
WHAT?

STOP FIGHTING US!
WE HAVE THE DAMN CURE, ****.

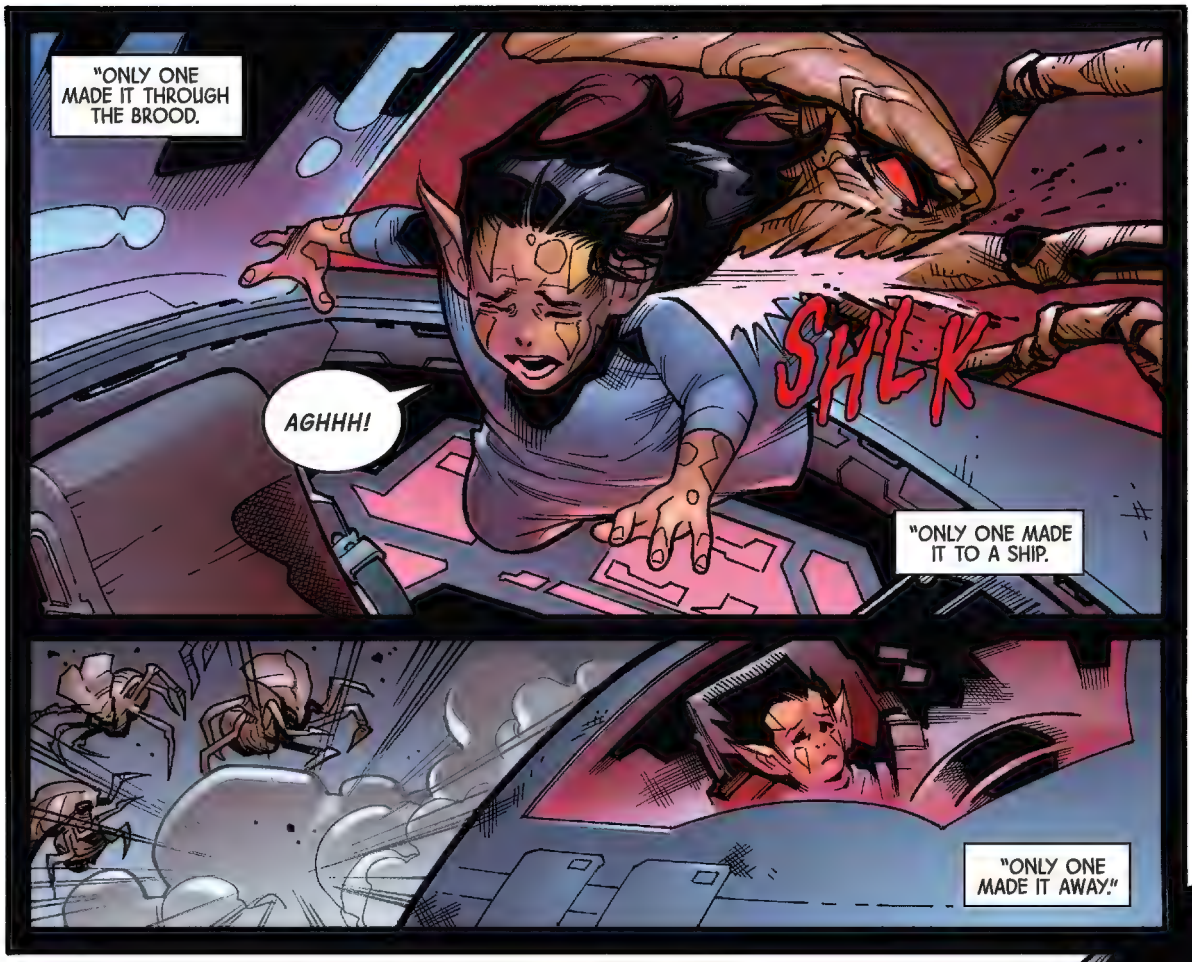
IT'S OKAY, CHIEF SCIENTIST RANKINE. YOU CAN LET THEM IN.

IT'S NOT LIKE YOU COULD POSSIBLY STOP THEM.
FANG?!

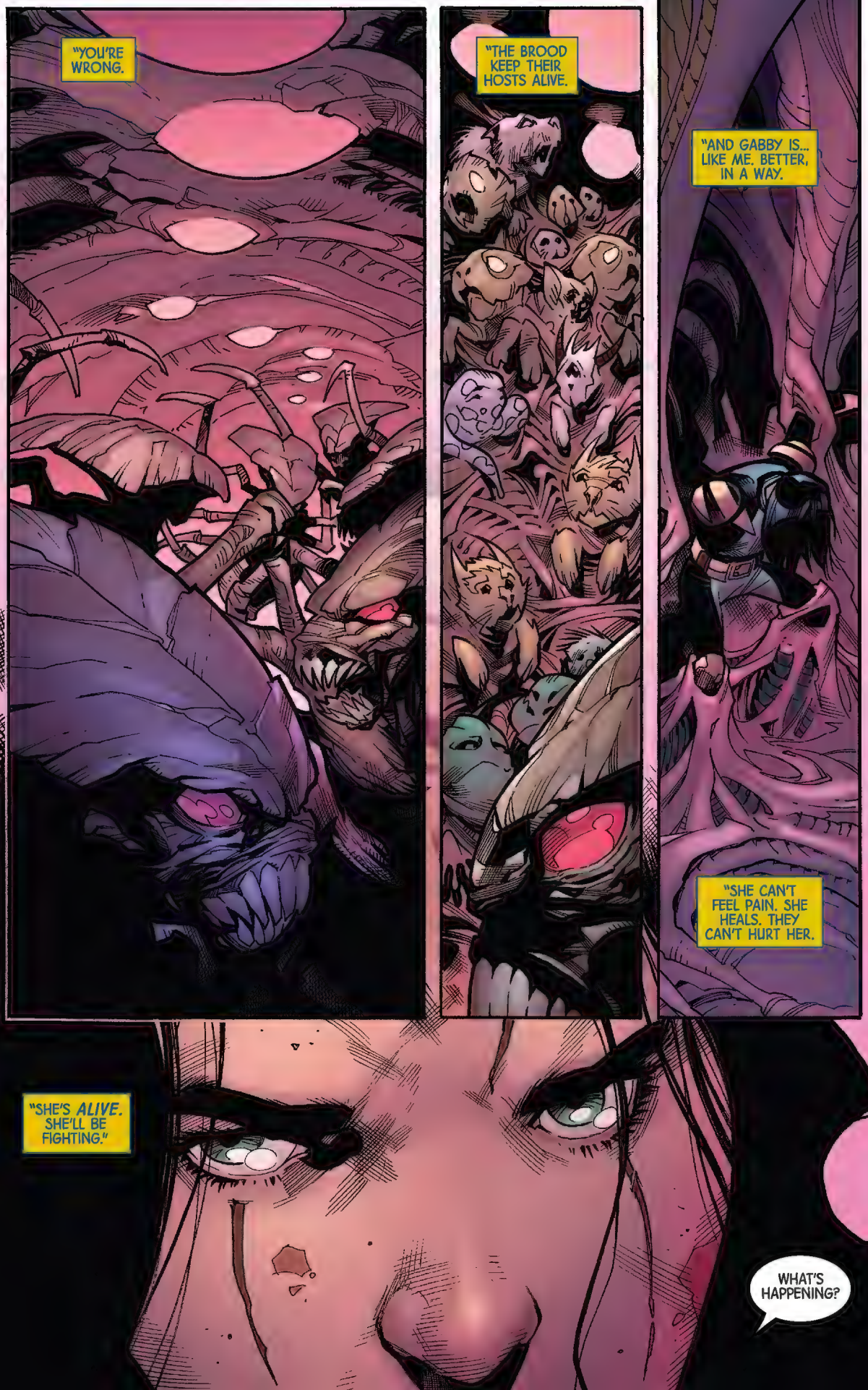
AFTER THE LAST TIME I SAW YOU, LAURA,* I WAS SICK. I ALMOST DIED.
I WAS BROUGHT HERE. THESE PEOPLE SAVED ME. THIS IS A DISEASE CENTER. CUTTING EDGE.
ON A MOON?
*SEE WOLVERINES #8! -HELPFUL HARRINGTON!
WELL, YEAH. IN CASE ANYTHING WENT WRONG.
AND...
SOMETHING WENT WRONG.
THE BROOD ARRIVED. PARASITES. A HUNGER THAT WOULD SPREAD ACROSS THE UNIVERSE.
THEY DESTROYED OUR COMMUNICATIONS TOWERS OUTSIDE.
YOU KEPT YOUR COMMS OUTSIDE, BUT YOU HAVE THESE GIANT GUNS IN HERE?
MAKES PERFECT SENSE TO ME.
"WE ALSO HAD ANIMALS IN PENS OUTSIDE THE MAIN COMPLEX.
"THE BROOD TOOK THEM TO SPAWN MORE OF THEIR OWN."

THE ANIMALS. WHY DID YOU HAVE THEM?
WE WERE EXPERIMENTING WITH DISEASES. THAT REQUIRES LIVING CREATURES WITH SIMILAR PHYSIOLOGIES TO--
RRRRR!
CH CHK
ROCKET!
WHAT?
DON'T SHOOT HIM.
WHAT? NOT EVEN A LITTLE BIT?
A NUMBER OF OUR PEOPLE WERE TAKEN OR INFECTED IN THE NEXT WAVE OF ATTACKS.
WE TRIED TO...DEAL WITH THE PROBLEM.
A FEW OF OUR GENETICISTS WORKED ON IT.
YOU HIT THEM WITH A VIRUS.
IT HAD NO EFFECT?
OH. IT HAD AN EFFECT.
IT SEEMED TO AFFECT THE BROOD'S MINDS.
IT MADE THEM ANGRIER.
YOU MADE RAGE MONSTERS RAGE-IER?
YES.
URGH. SCIENTISTS ARE SO STUPID.

"IT ALSO MEANT THE BROOD BECAME *CARRIERS* OF THE *VIRUS*.
"IN THE NEXT ATTACK, A NUMBER OF OUR PEOPLE WERE TAKEN.
"THOSE WHO ESCAPED WERE QUARANTINED.
"THERE WAS *NOTHING* WE COULD DO FOR THEM.
"WHEN IT BECAME CLEAR WE COULDN'T COMMUNICATE WITH THE OUTSIDE UNIVERSE, OUR *ONLY CHOICE* WAS TO SEND THEM TO THE *ESCAPE SHIPS* THE BROOD HADN'T BEEN ABLE TO DESTROY.
"THEY WERE DEAD ANYWAY. IF THEY COULD AVOID THE BROOD AND MAKE IT TO THE SHIPS, MAYBE THEY COULD GET THE WORD OUT.
"THEY WERE EACH GIVEN DIFFERENT MISSIONS AND DIFFERENT GOALS.


"ONLY ONE MADE IT THROUGH THE BROOD.
AGHHH!
SHLK
"ONLY ONE MADE IT TO A SHIP.
"ONLY ONE MADE IT AWAY."

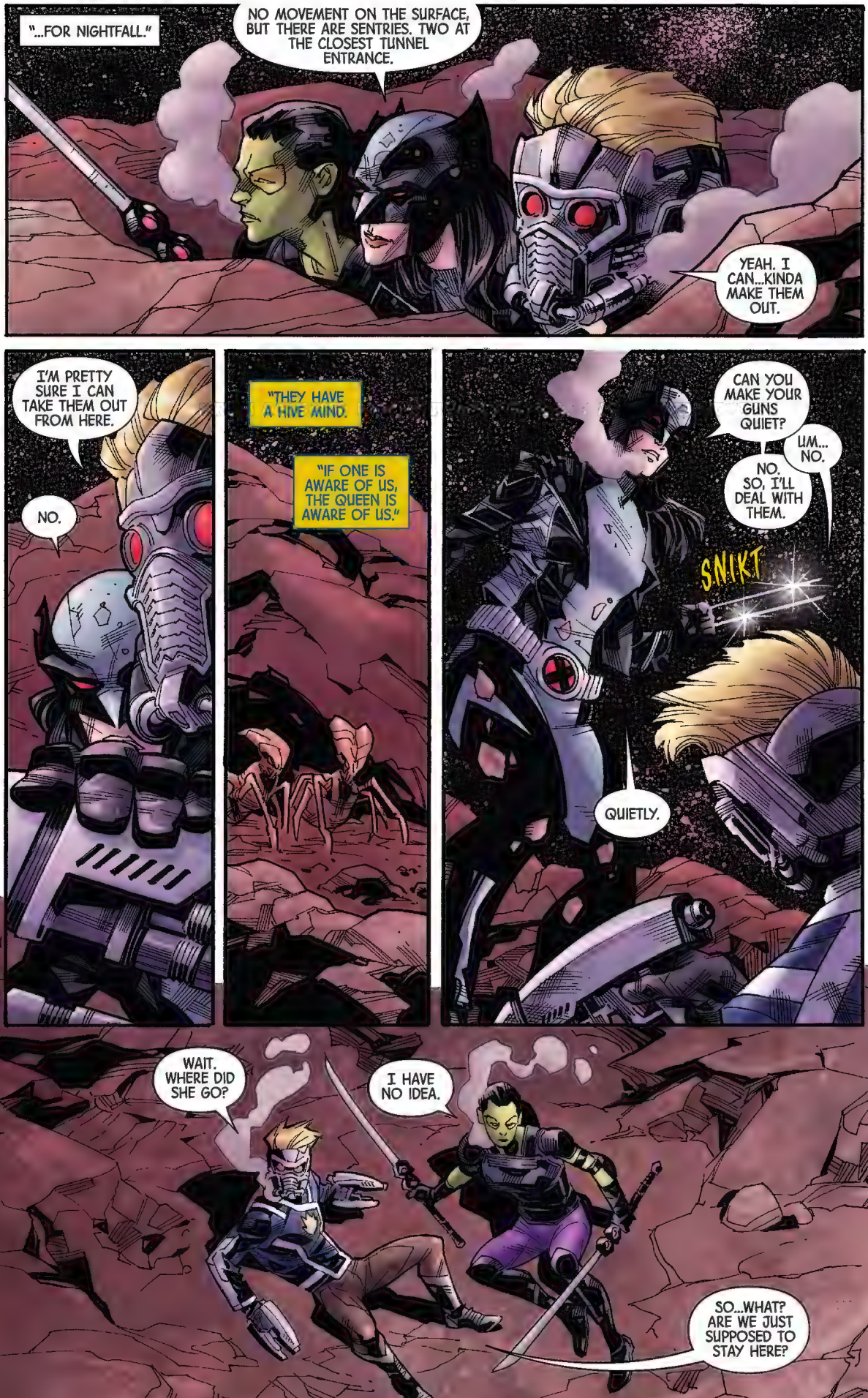
AND SHE MADE IT TO YOU.
SHE WAS MY DAUGHTER.
I'M SORRY.
WHY ME?
BECAUSE I FIGURED YOU'D BE IMMUNE.
AND I KNEW YOU'D HELP US. YOU'RE NOT LIKE YOUR FATHER. YOU'RE SELFLESS TO A FAULT.
WELL. IT WORKED. I BROUGHT YOU YOUR DAMN CURE.
BUT YOU SENT A VIRUS TO MY PLANET. AND WITHOUT GABBY, THAT VIRUS COULD HAVE WIPED OUT THOUSANDS.
I'M GOING AFTER HER.
THE BROOD HAVE HER. THERE'S NOTHING TO GO AFTER.


"YOU'RE WRONG.
"THE BROOD KEEP THEIR HOSTS ALIVE.
"AND GABBY IS... LIKE ME. BETTER, IN A WAY.
"SHE CAN'T FEEL PAIN. SHE HEALS. THEY CAN'T HURT HER.
"SHE'S *ALIVE.* SHE'LL BE FIGHTING."
WHAT'S HAPPENING?

YOUR WOUNDS HAVE HEALED. AND YOU ARE ALREADY CONSCIOUS.
FASCINATING.
LET ME OUT OF THIS AND I'LL SHOW YOU FASCINATING. I WILL FASCINATE YOU FULL OF HOLES.
I HAVE LOOKED INSIDE YOUR MIND.
I KNOW WHAT YOU ARE. WHAT YOU'RE CAPABLE OF. WE WILL USE YOU.
YOU KNOW WHAT?
YOU MAY BE ALL-CONQUERING, DEATH-DEALING MONSTERS...
...BUT I FEEL SORRY FOR WHAT'S COMING YOUR WAY.
WOLVERINE WILL COME FOR ME.
SHE HAS THIS "NO DEATH" RULE THING, BUT IT'S MORE OF A LOOSE GUIDELINE RATHER THAN AN UNBREAKABLE MORAL CODE.
AND I'M BETTING IT DOESN'T EXTEND TO GIGANTIC EVIL PARASITES.
SHE'S COMING.
AND WE WILL TAKE YOU DOWN TOGETHER.
OH, AND IF YOU'VE HURT JONATHAN TOO BADLY, YOU WILL FEEL MY FULL WRATH.
I DON'T KNOW WHAT MY FULL WRATH FEELS LIKE, BUT IT WILL PROBABLY BE POINTY AND UNPLEASANT.

YOU ARE NOT JUST BRAVE WITH YOUR WORDS. EVEN IN YOUR MIND, YOU FEEL ALMOST NO DREAD.
YOUR ABILITIES MAKE YOU FEARLESS.
I HAVE COMMUNICATED. ACROSS THE STARS. WITH OUR EMPRESS.
IT HAS BEEN DECIDED.
WHAT HAS?
YOU WILL STRENGTHEN THE BROOD.
I WILL MAKE YOU A QUEEN.

IF YOU'RE DETERMINED TO HIT THE HIVE, YOU SHOULD AT LEAST WAIT UNTIL NIGHTFALL.
THE SURFACE OF THE MOON GETS VERY, VERY COLD AT NIGHT. THE BROOD STAY UNDERGROUND.
YOU CAN'T JUST WALK INTO A BROOD HIVE. THAT'S *INSANE.*
I WILL COME WITH YOU.
OF COURSE YOU WILL.
FINE. I'LL COME TOO.
THANK YOU, QUILL.
DRAX? WE COULD USE YOU.
I WILL NOT HARM THE BROOD.
WHAT?
YEAH. HE'S NOT HURTING ANYONE AT THE MOMENT. IT'S A PHASE. A ***RIDICULOUS*** PHASE.
DRAX "THE DESTROYER" IS A PACIFIST?
I KNOW, RIGHT?
ROCKET. DRAX. YOUR JOB IS TO GET TO THE *MILANO* AND SEND OUT A MESSAGE.
GROOT'S ON BOARD. HE COULD HAVE ALREADY SENT A MESSAGE.
IN THE HIGHLY UNLIKELY EVENT THAT HE DID THAT, HIS ENTIRE MESSAGE WOULD HAVE BEEN "I AM GROOT."
I ADMIT IT'S LIGHT ON DETAILS.
FANG WILL GO WITH YOU AND CALL FOR SHIPS FOR THE SCIENTISTS AND A SHI'AR STRIKE TEAM TO DEAL WITH THE BROOD.
I WILL. BUT WE WAIT...


"...FOR NIGHTFALL."
NO MOVEMENT ON THE SURFACE, BUT THERE ARE SENTRIES. TWO AT THE CLOSEST TUNNEL ENTRANCE.
YEAH. I CAN...KINDA MAKE THEM OUT.
I'M PRETTY SURE I CAN TAKE THEM OUT FROM HERE.
NO.
"THEY HAVE A HIVE MIND.
"IF ONE IS AWARE OF US, THE QUEEN IS AWARE OF US."
CAN YOU MAKE YOUR GUNS QUIET?
UM... NO.
NO. SO, I'LL DEAL WITH THEM.
SNIKT
QUIETLY.
WAIT. WHERE DID SHE GO?
I HAVE NO IDEA.
SO...WHAT? ARE WE JUST SUPPOSED TO STAY HERE?

"HOW LONG DO WE WAIT?"
SHLK
NOT LONG, APPARENTLY.
COME ON.
THIS WAY.
WHY THAT WAY?
BECAUSE THEY TOOK GABBY THIS WAY. AND THERE ARE TWELVE BROOD ABOUT 300 FEET DOWN THE OTHER CORRIDOR.
HOW CAN YOU POSSIBLY KNOW THAT?
I CAN HEAR THEM. I CAN SMELL THEM. THEY SMELL LIKE ANTS AND DECAY.
STAY CLOSE TO ME.
I CAN HELP US AVOID THEM, OR LET YOU KNOW WHEN WE HAVE TO ENGAGE.

GAMORA.
THERE ARE TWO COMING UP ON YOUR RIGHT SHOULDER UP AHEAD.
QUILL. NO GUNS UNLESS I SAY.
SHANK
SHLK
SHLK
SHLK
I'M FEELING A LITTLE REDUNDANT HERE.
I'M SURE WE'LL FIND SOMETHING TO MAKE YOU FEEL DUNDANT.
UP AHEAD. QUIETLY...

...WE'VE FOUND HER.
SHE'S HERE. SHE'S COME FOR YOU.
JUST LIKE YOU SAID SHE WOULD.
BUT WOLVERINE IS TOO LATE.
HNNNN.
YOUR BOND IS COMPLETE.
NO.
FINISH YOUR TRANSFORMATION.
JOIN THE HIVE.

SNIKT
GABBY...?
STAY HERE. THERE'S NOTHING TO BE DONE.
YES. YOU'RE BEAUTIFUL.
YES.
SNIKT
SNIKT
SNIKT
SNIKT
SNIKT
SNIKT
SNIKT

THANK YOU, MOTHER.
HRARK!!!

THE HIVE EVOLVES.
SO...
...CAN I USE MY GUNS NOW?
TO BE CONTINUED...

ALL-NEW WOLVERINE

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And maybe you'll be lucky enough to have TOM TAYLOR, our Wondrous Wolverine Writer, to answer your question, like this week's letters.

Without further ado, read on and see if your letter made the cut!

I've been a Marvel fan for nearly 40 years. I grew up on Spidey and the Hulk and, with the help of my dad, would find and consume every issue of SPIDER-MAN I could get my hands on. Skip ahead several decades and Tom Taylor starts writing ALL-NEW WOLVERINE! Not only am I hooked on the title, I've found a character at Marvel that rivals my love for Spidey.

Laura Kinney, especially as Wolverine, is fantastic. I appreciate the growth and maturing she has done as a character. She has become a great hero and I sure hope to see her emerge in both the comics and movies as an A-list character. Either way, I will continue to read this book and will pick up any other titles in which she makes an appearance.

Through my evangelistic efforts, I have even converted a handful of my skeptical friends over to X-23 fandom. Tom is doing a great job with this book and I hope it will continue on for at least another couple of years. Keep up the great work, team. I appreciate everything you are putting into this effort.

Justin Tefft
Lincoln, NE

Thanks, Justin! As a big Spidey fan myself, that's high praise indeed. I hope Laura's on her way to becoming an A-list character, and I'd love to see her lead her own films, taking over from my countryman Hugh Jackman, as the new Wolverine. Thanks for converting your friends!

Dear ALL-NEW WOLVERINE Crew,

I wanted to thank you for issue #21! It was incredible to read the conversations between the Wolverines and Deadpool and see how they saved all of those people without the stabby stabby. What y'all have done with the character of Wolverine in these 21 issues so far has been phenomenal and I look forward to every issue that comes out.

I also love Gabby. I know Wolverine is the one known for hopping around the Marvel Universe and teaming up with everyone, but I think it should be Gabby! Gabby teaming up with Captain Marvel, Spider-Man, Kate Bishop and especially Deadpool would be a top-notch book! If all else fails, Deadpool needs to come back and hang out with Gabby.

Keep the SNIKTS coming and see you in the next issue!

Patrick
North Carolina

From the moment Gabby first appeared in Laura's apartment, eating her old pizza, Mark, Christina, David Lopez and I fell in love with her. We're so glad so many others love her too. She's incredibly important to this book and to Laura in general. She brings a balance which would otherwise be missing. It takes a big character to have that kind of effect on Deadpool. I'd love to team her up with the whole Marvel Universe. Hope you enjoyed her time with the Guardians of the Galaxy. She is Groot.

First-time letter-writer and big fan of ALL-NEW WOLVERINE and especially Gabby! I was wondering if this in the same canon storyline of the ALL-NEW X-MEN that had the time-displaced Jean Grey, Angel and others. Also, I hope Laura and Gabby run into Deadpool on a regular basis now that Gabby and Deadpool are "best friends." I would love to see both of them dive into Deadpool's "pool of money." That would be awesome.

Keep up the great work!!

Brian Anderson

Thanks, Brian! There's something pretty amazing about Gabby and Deadpool's friendship, and it was perfect as soon as I began writing it. There's a scene in #22 between them which I was a bit worried about when I sent it in, as it's pretty gross and insane, but Mark Paniccia loved it. Clearly, Mark is every bit as weird as Gabby and Deadpool.

I just want to say, having read all of X-23's backstory and steadily reading ALL-NEW WOLVERINE from day one, Laura has taken on the mantle of the original Wolverine and Tom Taylor has taken her on adventures that don't dwell in much of the darkness Logan had gone through. It is honestly that much better for it. I love and respect the character Laura has grown into.

This book has well-done drama, super hero action and bouts of humor I never would have expected nor would associate with the legacy of Wolverine. I'm definitely enjoying the current alien virus arc! I liked her and Old Man Logan making peace plus the unexpected return of Daken (please tell me what he's been up to soon). Again, wonderful job.

ALL-NEW WOLVERINE for life.

PJ Brown

PJ, glad you're liking the run and the growth. Laura's maturing into a new kind of hero, while not forgetting her past, is a big part of what we're trying to do in this series. We were all keen to have Daken in the book from the beginning, but we needed the right story to bring him in on. We're happy to say you'll be seeing a lot more of him in the upcoming "Legacy" arc.

Thank you all so much for ALL-NEW WOLVERINE! Laura has been my favorite ever since she first appeared and seeing her get her own book with such fantastic writing and art makes me so, so happy. And it's not just one of HER best books, it's one of THE best books out right now. Everyone on this team is doing a phenomenal job and I honestly can't praise you all enough. THANK YOU for what you've done with this book and done with Laura and Gabby as characters.

Can't wait to see where you go from here!

Steven G.

Thanks, Steven!

And thanks for pointing out all of the great artists behind Laura's beginning as Wolverine. David Lopez, Marcio Takara, Ig Guara, Djibril Morissette, Nik Virella and Leonard Kirk have all brought their unique style and storytelling to Laura, Gabby and Jonathan the Actual Wolverine, alongside some fantastic colorists, inkers and letterer extraordinaire Cory Petit.

For our "Legacy" arc, we're very excited to have Juann Cabal joining us as the main artist. He's absolutely perfect for the story we have to tell. We can't wait for the world to see why.

HOUSE OF X

We recently had a really special book debut. That's right, the return of ASTONISHING X-MEN--this time written by the extraordinary Charles Soule with an oversized first issue illustrated by the incredibly talented Jim Cheung.

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